



—Illustration by Whitney Bandel



# When the smoke clears

Smoke pours from the K-State Power Plant, while the summer sun shines its last fading rays of the day.



Tommy Theis  
COLLEGIAN

# Respect Your Neighbors

“Welcome back students!” How often do you really hear this from permanent Manhattan residents? Not too often? Not at all?

The university and the community tend to have a bit of a love-hate relationship. Without K-State, Manhattan would just be another Wamego, a largely forgotten city on the Plains. With K-State, it has become a bustling community with businesses and events catered toward the college crowd.

Students buy merchandise at an alarming rate and frequent the bars of Aggieville on weekends without receiving the full benefit of the sales tax they pay to the city.

There’s plenty to gain from having the students around, but the way college students burst onto the scene every August sometimes causes a little resentment for the residents of this sleepy little hamlet.

Manhattan really isn’t ever going to be home for us. We come here for a four-year education, end up staying five years to accommodate our partying, then move on to a job or professional school.

To level with you, I love Manhattan over the summer. I would be happy calling it home. It has the quiet and peacefulness of a small town but still retains the vibe and opportunities that come with a larger city. If the university wasn’t around, then those summer moments wouldn’t be possible, and I’m not quite sure the permanent residents realize this.

What they do realize, though, is that for a week at the end of August, K-State completely owns this town. Then, for the rest of the semester, those upstart college



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students are running around causing trouble and collecting MIPs.

Some of the trouble is inescapable. A community of 50,000 is bound to notice 20,000 college-aged kids joining the ranks. We’re younger, have different tastes and can afford to engage in lots of leisure activities.

What isn’t inescapable, though, is the friction on a personal level between Manhattan residents and college students. It comes down to respect.

Yes, K-State students are finally out of their parents’ clutches and able to rock ‘n’ roll every night, but it doesn’t need to be loud enough to shake the old retired couple next door out of their beds.

Sure, students can try their hands at beer pong, but peeing on the magnolias that little Miss Wilson across the street just planted won’t win any “greatest neighbor” accolades.

College is a time for fun, but it is a time that requires responsibility – responsibility to conduct yourself in a manner befitting a young adult and responsibility to not infringe on the rights of others.

Don’t forget to emphasize the good we bring – other than the money that flows with us. College students are younger and stronger than your average Manhattan citizen and able to give neighbors a helping hand. As a group, this generation is more environmentally conscious and community-service inclined. Community service not only earns respect from the neighborhood, but looks good on a résumé.

Remember, we’re partners in the community of Manhattan. A little respect of that fact can go a long way.

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# K-State offers variety of clubs, letting students to play on

By Grant Guggisberg  
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The opportunity to play a college sport at the Division-I level is something only a select few athletes – typically the most talented and physically gifted – ever get a chance to pursue.

That leaves most students with the option of giving up the sport they love or finding an alternative. One of the alternatives at K-State is to get involved with a sports club on campus.

“There are two main things to know about sports clubs at K-State,” said Travis Redeker, assistant director of Recreational Services and coordinator of sports clubs on campus. “Anyone can get involved in a club sport, and

if there’s a sport you’re interested in and can’t find on our list, we can bring it to K-State.”

During the past year, the badminton club was added, Redeker said. Recreational Services is also working with students to create a taekwondo sparring club as well.

“We are very close to becoming an official club at K-State,” said Austin Waldo, senior in marketing and treasurer of the club. “We will start practicing at the Rec as soon as we become official, and we are always looking for new members.”

“In order to become a sports club at K-State, you need to join some kind of national governing body,” he said. “You also must compete against others on some level.”

Most sports join national affiliates that divide the teams into conferences and put together national tournaments at the end of the season.

“We actually had a really good year last year,” Redeker said. “We had some conference championships and had some teams go pretty far in nationals.”

Redeker mentioned women’s softball, volleyball, table tennis and men’s wrestling as teams that fared particularly well in postseason tournaments.

“We have a lot of popular sports, and most clubs are always looking for new members,” he said.

Some of K-State’s club sports, like soccer, exist only as

clubs. K-State does not have a men’s or women’s soccer team that represents the school and offers scholarships. However, other clubs, like the baseball club, build a club team despite K-State having a scholarship baseball team.

“We got started about three years ago as a club,” said Weston Arbogast, senior in architectural engineering and vice president of the K-State Baseball Club. “Turn-out right now is pretty low. We need more guys to come out.”

Arbogast said the team typically has around 14 players at any given time, which makes it tough to put a quality team on the field.


“We compete against teams like KU, who actually have two

full teams,” he said. “Our problem is we have to pay so much out of pocket to play. That turns a lot of guys away who would otherwise want to play.”

Clubs at K-State receive some funding from the university but not enough to cover all of the related costs. Most clubs require dues from each member to pay for everything from travel costs to membership in the national governing body to equipment purchases.

To get involved with a club sport at K-State, Redeker said to check the Recreational Services Web site, [www.k-state.edu/directories/orgs-sc.html](http://www.k-state.edu/directories/orgs-sc.html). The list of clubs include contact information, with many of them including links to club Web sites.

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# Local businesses prepare for return of students, money

As the student population in Manhattan rises so does preparation for local business owners

By Jason Miller  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Unlike many students, local businesses are excited for move-in weekend each year. Local consumers and students alike may find the long lines and crowded businesses off-putting when students return, but the summer slump cannot end soon enough for the business community.

“We appreciate K-State business and love when the students return,” said Pete Anderson, owner of Last Chance Saloon in Aggieville. “This is the best time of year by far.”

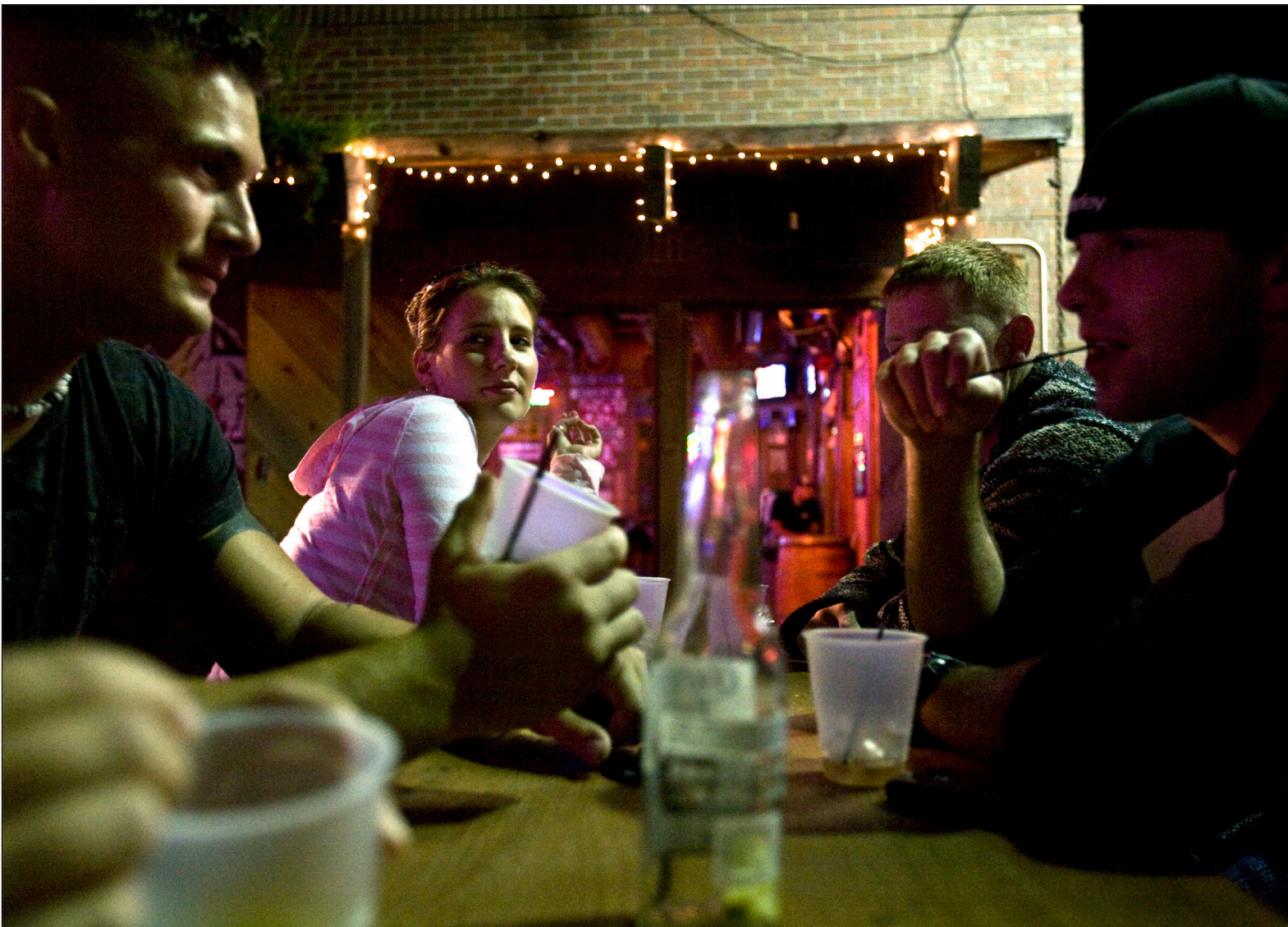
Anderson said the summer offers a nice break to spend time at the lake, but he looks forward to opening his two bars that close over the summer while the students are away.

Last Chance, which has been open for more than 20 years, nearly doubles its staff of bartenders and wait-staff and has 12-14 security personnel on hand starting on move-in weekend.

Anderson said he credits the experience and friendly nature of his staff for being able to handle the surge in customers.

“It’s a very substantial increase in business when the students return, and we try to make small improvements [to the buildings] during the summer so the students will notice the little things when they return,” said Anderson.

It is not just the bars like Last Chance that have a need to hire additional personnel to



Junction City citizens **William Cannon, Rosemary Price** (left), **Nick Looney and Jacob Price** (right) talk over a round of drinks Thursday evening. The group decided to visit Aggieville as a celebration before **Looney** and **Cannon** go on leave to Iraq. Business in Aggieville is expected to increase when college students return for the fall semester.

deal with the surge of new and returning customers. Varney’s Bookstore also increases its staff size at the start of the school year.

Varney’s is the official bookstore of the university and home to a plethora of K-State Apparel. This provides for the perfect storm as thousands of students arrive within days of one another, looking to stock up on K-State gear along with the necessary books for their classes.

“We’ve been working and preparing since March receiving textbooks reports, spending all

summer ordering and stocking the shelves for this,” said Dan Walter, Varney’s textbook store manager.

Varney’s took a proactive approach to move-in weekend by hiring more staff early in the summer in order to ensure all the books that arrived were promptly stocked and the store was prepared for the start of a new semester.

Varney’s uses eight wholesale book clubs and two of the largest new booksellers to maintain its supply of books. But in spite of this, each year they still

sell out of books before the student body’s needs can be met, Walter said.

“We try to have the books people need when they need them, and when we do not have the book in stock, we use many different ways to get the books for the student,” added Walter.

Walter said the busiest hours for Varney’s are between 1 and 3 p.m., he recommends students come earlier to avoid the crowded book area and the long lines at checkout.

On the other side of campus, Pizza Shuttle has a similar

issue. As the closest pizza place to deliver to the residence halls, the restaurant sees a vast difference in business when the students return.

“We have hired a couple extra employees, and we arrive early or work late,” said Jamie Donaldson, Pizza Shuttle manager.

Pizza Shuttle is still in the process of hiring additional employees to deal with the surge of incoming students.

“We definitely get a lot more business in the fall,” said Donaldson. “Everyone just loves Pizza Shuttle.”

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# K-State leaders hope ‘Week of Welcome’ becomes tradition

By Tim Schrag  
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The Student Governing Association has taken an idea from Dean of Students Pat Bosco and created a week-long celebration called “Week of Welcome.”

WOW begins Sunday and will last until the following Saturday.

Student Body President Dalton Henry, senior in agricultural economics and agricultural communication and journalism, said the SGA project has come about so that students may more easily draw a connection to K-State.

“Really the whole university is behind it, and so are the different colleges,” Henry said.

He said WOW is meant to welcome back current students as well as make new students feel welcome.

Emily Haug, senior in political science and student coordinator for Week of Welcome, said SGA has been working on the project since last spring.

“This is the first year for this type of welcome week, and we hope that students will attend the activities and events of this week so that it will continue and become a tradition at K-State,” Haug said.

She said with the help of a planning committee and participation from various on- and off-campus organizations, including all colleges at K-State, SGA has created a more organized system to welcome students back to campus.

“Our goal is to improve student retention, and if students are able to find a connection with K-State within the first weeks of school, we hope they will be able to have a meaningful experience at K-State,” Haug said. “A lot of



these events happened in the past – now they are more organized.”

Each day has been given a theme as a way to organize all the events and activities to allow for more attendance.

Though events actually begin on Saturday afternoon, the kickoff event for the week is a pep rally for all students at 7:30 p.m. at Snyder Family Stadium, sponsored by K-State Athletics. Football coach Bill Snyder, President Kirk Schulz, Athletic Director John Currie and many others will speak at the rally. The K-State Marching Band will also perform and help review several K-State traditions, including the fight song. Afterward, Union Program Council will present the movie “Adventureland” at the stadium.

“We’re hoping to make a new tradition at K-State and

get students excited about K-State and the upcoming athletics season,” Haug said.

Throughout the week, there will be various activities, including Union Expo and Activities Carnival, Career and Employment Services Backyard Barbecue, Wildcat Welcome Day and the Part-time Opportunities Fair.

Gayle Spencer, assistant dean of student life and coordinator of student activities and services, said WOW is a time for students to learn what is available to them at K-State.

“Week of Welcome is a great opportunity for new and returning students to get acquainted with resources on campus,” Spencer said.

Bosco said he hopes WOW will allow students to feel welcome on campus and solve any concerns they might have by learning of the services available to them. He said WOW is an extension of the Wildcat Warm-up philosophy.

Wildcat Warm-up is a program designed for incoming freshman to introduce them to K-State and its opportunities.

“These are many programs – some tried and true, some new – to help with student success,” Bosco said.

Haug said WOW organizers are eager to see this program become a K-State tradition.

Amy Schultz, senior in Biology and Speaker of the Student Senate, said she thinks WOW will be a great way to improve friendships at K-State.

“Week of Welcome is going to be a great opportunity for students to come to show their pride for K-State, to reconnect with old friends, make new friends and connect with their university,” Schultz said.

## August always brings Manhattan shopping mayhem

Year after year, Manhattan receives its herd of freshman students, who have to buy bed sheets, bean bag chairs and worst of all, microwaveable food.

However, those poor are left standing in the empty riverbed after the herd has gotten their fill.

As if being left with a snackless shopping cart isn’t enough, there is also the labyrinth-like parking lot to navigate. You can wait for a lifetime and still not find a spot. The worst part is when you think you see an opening and rush to it, only to realize there isn’t enough space for your car and the motorcycle that is already there.



MATT BINTER

There is no method to the madness. Brother is turned against brother, fighting for a parking spot that is still a 20-minute walk from the door, then playing tug of war for the last bag of three-meat Totinos.

I personally hate the experience, and my heart goes out to the employees.

The cashiers, baggers and shelf-stockers become indentured servants of the retail world. It can’t be comfortable to look up from the register and not be able to tell where the line ends.

Cashiers normally try to make small talk, but during the aforementioned “shopping apocalypse,” all life flees from their faces, and they become depressing shells of their former selves.

The fact they can manage the crowd without mass suicide is evidence enough of their tenacity. My hat

goes off to them. I wouldn’t make it an hour without exploding in a barrage of four-letter words and inappropriate hand gestures.

Dealing with the crowd from the customer point of view is enough of a headache for me. That is why I go out of my way to avoid the chaos.

I stock up on my favorite foods early and avoid the super stores. I treat them like nuclear blast epicenters and don’t go near them for fear of the fallout.

Luckily this only happens once per year, and, like surviving a near-death experience, it makes me appreciate my standard shopping life and teaches me to value the time I have with my Easy Mac.

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Audit reveals troubling finances of ex-administrator



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Matt Binter

During the transition between university presidents, the Kansas Board of Regents recently conducted an exit review of the office of retiring President Jon Wefald. Similar audits are being conducted at both the University of Kansas and Pittsburg State University, as is it is a Regents policy. The analysis acknowledges discrepancies found within the Office of the President, KSU Foundation, National Institute for Strategic Technology Acquisition and Commercialization and the K-State Intercollegiate Athletics Department. There were no findings in

relation to the K-State Alumni Association. The analysis also outlines a deficit of \$2.4 million in the Foundation's scholarship fund from 2007 and various monthly payments in 205 and 2006 of \$700 to \$800 paid to RB Enterprises Inc., which were "completely unexplained," according to the report. Additionally, the Regents directed President Kirk Schulz to take a series of actions related to the analysis, including providing a status report by Oct. 1 and conducting further reviews of main points outlined in the audit.

Snapshot

July 9

Board of Regents to abandons tuition freeze

The Kansas House Appropriations Committee proposed higher education receive a cut of almost 12 percent. This decrease, in accordance with the economy's current instability, will be represented by tuition increases at schools across Kansas. In early March, the Kansas Board of Regents passed a state-wide tuition freeze, but the plan depended on the ability of the legislature to keep its higher education budget reductions to less than 7 percent. The Board stated it was still committed to the tuition freeze, provided that no more money was cut from higher education. By the first week of May, though, a new press release was sent out immediately following the altered budget cuts from the House appropriations committee, as a 12-percent reduction in funds caused the Board to alter its initial plan. K-State managed to keep its tuition increase at a lower percent than any other Regent school.



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Chelsy Lueth

July15

Combat Aviation Brigade welcomes new commander



1 Photo by Nathaniel LaRue

Col. Jessie Farrington handed over command of the 1st Combat Aviation Brigade to Col. Frank Muth on July 10 at Fort Riley after two years and a deployment to Iraq. The change of command ceremony took place on Marshall Army Airfield and featured a variety of military traditions. Also unveiled at the change of command ceremony was the UH-60M, the newest version of the Blackhawk.

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## July 1 Stampede a success despite rain, heat

Country music fans from 44 states and five countries, including many K-State students, attended the annual Country Stampede music festival. The festival got off to an interesting start as rain Wednesday night made the parking areas at Tuttle Creek State Park unfit for parking on Thursday of that week, and as a result, parking was offered at Bramlage Coliseum. Those attending Stampede were shuttled to the park every 15 minutes. The shuttle services were only offered on Thursday. Headliners for this year's concert included Julianne Hough, Luke Bryan, Creedence Clearwater Revisited, Zac Brown Band, Sawyer Brown, Dierks Bentley, Jack Ingram, Blake Shelton, Tim McGraw, The Bellamy Brothers, Kellie Pickler and Phil Vassar.



## July 1 Schulz, Currie address audit concerns in forum



President Kirk Schulz and Athletic Director John Currie presented an open forum about the recently conducted audit of K-State by the Kansas Board of Regents in Forum Hall on June 29. To start off, Schulz made several announcements about plans to continue to have forums periodically during the school year and the formation of a group to look into dealing with the audit. Both Schulz and Currie fielded questions from concerned

members of the community, including alumni, faculty and students on topics ranging from new lending policies to competitiveness within the Big 12 Conference to transparency issues. They stressed a need for better communication between the administration and the K-State community and explained how they were working to restore confidence within the K-State donor base.

## July 22 9th-annual jazz festival a hit among locals



City Park was filled with good times, jazz music and lots of firsts on July 18 during the Little Apple Jazz Festival sponsored by Union Program Council and the City of Manhattan Parks and Recreation Department's Arts in the Park program. The two-stage, seven-act, six-band music festival proved to be a record for the ninth edition of the annual event. Several of the food vendors in attendance sold out of goods before the evening was over. Performers for this year's festival included the 319 USAR Jazz Band, Missouri State University Jazz Combo, who played at a jazz brunch on Sunday at Bluestem Bistro in Aggieville; Will Matthews; the Barefoot Dixieland Band; Cami and the Riot; and headliner Les Lankhorst, a K-State alumnus and Salina native.

### Photo Captions

- 1) **Maj. Gen. Vincent Brooks** (right), Commanding General of the 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, passes the flag of the 1st Combat Aviation Brigade on to the incoming brigade commander **Col. Frank Muth** (left) at a change of command ceremony. The command has been passed down from Col. Jessie Farrington, who served as commander of the brigade for two years
- 2) Lounging on the back of a pickup truck in the campground area of Tuttle Creek State Park, **Joshua Long**, Topeka and **Sierra Collins**, Sharon Springs, Kan., chat with each other.
- 3) **Barbara Anderson**, associate professor for the Apparel, Textiles and Interior Design Department of the College of Human Ecology, asks **President Kirk Schulz** and **Athletic Director John Currie** a question during an open forum in Forum Hall.
- 4) Swing vocalist **Les Lankhorst** sings as the headliner at the Little Apple Jazz Festival with a backing band of local musicians in City Park. **Lankhorst**, a Salina native and K-State alumnus, has performed extensively throughout the U.S., including Las Vegas and on cruise ships.

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JASON MILLER

As everyone prepares for the first week of school, the recurring theme seems to be students lacking notebooks, writing utensils and other necessary supplies. While the university bookstore is all too happy for the rush of unprepared students to make these last-minute purchases in their store, this not necessarily the most financially responsible solution.

A few simple tips can help make the first few days of school less stressful and help keep some extra money in your pocket. While pens and pencils are not the first thing students think about when viewing the list of recommended supplies, they are arguably the most important.

It seems nearly every store sells pencils and pens, but this small utensil can be quite costly if you are not paying attention when you grab them off the rack. Buying in bulk is almost always the smartest way to shop.

Of course, you could skip buying them your-

self and simply ask the person sitting beside you for one, but who wants to be “that person” on the first day of class? Or if finances are really a big concern, you could always visit every booth at a K-State event and fill your bag with all the free writing utensils that are handed out.

In addition to the pen and pencil stock, be sure to add highlighters to your bag. Highlighting high school texts was forbidden, but multicolored college texts are a way of life. Underlined text is not as noticeable as highlighted text as you sit down to review four chapters in one night.

Notebooks are another commonly overlooked item - and with good reason. Adding more weight to the backpack or shoulder bag is far from ideal, and staring at blank pages on day one can be quite overwhelming. When it comes to purchasing notebooks, there are so many things to consider: college or wide-ruled? Loose paper in a binder or a folder?

Buying loose paper is cheaper than notebooks, but there are many advantages to having separate small notebooks for each class. Regardless of which you choose to have, make sure the sheets can be turned in neatly in case the professor collects them. Believe it or not, in small classes, professors and

teaching assistants notice these things.

Finally, we have the calculators and other electronic gadgets that different classes require. Be sure to get all the specifications before heading off to the store to make a purchase. Time and time again students purchase the equipment they think is needed, only to find out they have wasted their money and time. Graphing and other advanced-feature calculators can be quite pricy, but shopping online can provide the best deals. If time is of the essence, then go online and peruse the different stores available in our area to find the lowest prices.

Lastly, be sure to read the advertised specials closely before shopping. Large retail stores will use phrases like “while supplies last” and “with the purchase of” in very small print.

Also, remember that certain retail stores, like Wal-Mart, offer price matching with their local competitors. If you see a product in an advertisement for a lower price at another store, simply bring the ad with you and show them. Just be sure to read all the small print.

Happy Shopping.

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# New wildlife major, financial course aim to fill program voids

By Tyler Sharp  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A new major that highlights growth in an industry and a class focusing on financial planning are just some of the newest offerings as part of K-State's constantly evolving curriculum.

### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

A major in wildlife and outdoor enterprise management will be the first of its kind, said Tom Warner, professor of horticulture, forestry and recreation and program director.

“It's unlike standalone natural resources or fish and wildlife programs,” he said. “It combines the two, and the students will also have a minor in business.”

“They will also take courses in hotel and restaurant management. They also have outdoor skills courses that are unique. It's a unique program; we're the first ones.”

Warner said the program started developing after leaders in the hunting and fishing industry made inquiries about putting a degree together. The Kansas Board of Regents' approved the new program in May, after a it went through a two-year development process. The program, which will only accept new students in the fall, already has 14 students enrolled in its inaugural year.

While combining courses from an accumulation of other disciplines, several new courses were developed strictly for this major. Warner and industry professionals will instruct those courses. In addition to the new curriculum, internships with the program will run from the summer until a student's junior year until the completion of the following fall semester.

Students who complete the program will be trained as business managers of hunting and fishing reserves. Warner said the program's focus on training students to be business managers in the private sector is one-of-a-kind.

“It's filling a void that no one else has filled,” he said.

### COLLEGE OF HUMAN ECOLOGY

Students looking to improve their financial literacy can enroll in Money 101, or FSHS101.

Joyce Cantrell, instructor in family studies and human services, said the course was added in response to discussions with student leadership and former Provost Duane Nellis about the need for students to become more financially literate.

“The goal is to reach freshmen and sophomores before they encounter financial difficulties,” she said. “Students come to the university with loans,

grants and scholarships. All of a sudden you are handling large sums of money.

“Unless you have a good handle on what you need versus what you want, it's very easy to overspend.”

In Money 101, which is offered as an eight-week online course, students study credit and debit. They examine budgets and establish budgets as well as spending habits. Students are also asked to create spending goals. Examinations of what makes up credit reports, how to build credit and studying investments are also aspects of the course.

Cantrell also incorporates a variety of video clips to the class.

“We use *Spendster.org*, and it has video clips of people and the worthless stuff they spend money on,” she said. “That's kind of fun.”

“We do visit a lot of videos about people who are college-aged and have had financial difficulties hopefully to help the students avoid the pitfalls that these students fell into.”

Cantrell said she hopes the information from the class carries over after the class has ended.

“I'm hoping by using the Internet and showing them different Web sites and examining the information, that taking the class will be a life-long benefit, not just a short-term benefit,” she said.



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# Avoid Over-packing; A guide to Saving Space

STUDENTS WHO LEAVE FOR COLLEGE, QUICKLY LEARN THEY HAVE MORE BELONGINGS THAN SPACE

“Only bring what you need” is what everyone says about packing for college.

Well, sometimes, you just do not know what you need. From parties to class to football games to the ever-changing Kansas weather, the abundance of items you need is overwhelming.

There are some items that, no matter what, you will want to have.

To comfortably and stylishly defend yourself against the Kansas weather, buy a good pair of rain boots. Target has adorable styles for reasonable prices.

The best reasons for rain boots are that they are perfect for the torrential downpours that hit campus and they can double as snow boots. Plus, for everyone’s benefit, rain boots cut down on the massive amounts of complaining in class and Facebook statuses about wet, ruined shoes.

During the winter months when it seems impossible to keep warm, invest in thermal underwear, aka “Long Johns.” It might seem offbeat, but your legs will thank you.

My sister bought me a pair my freshman year, and I have worn them on the

coldest of days on campus. I would not go a snowy day without them. Besides, just wearing jeans or sweatpants on your lower half is not giving your body the proper insulation it needs, and unless you insist on wearing low-rise jeans and midriff-baring shirts in 10-degree weather, no one will know you are wearing them.

Be sure to keep a go-to pair of flip-flops in your closet all year round, as well as a maximum of two sweatshirts and two pairs of sweatpants. Not pajama pants – sweatpants. You probably only have limited space for storage in your closet, and you do not want your closet space to be cluttered with bulky sweats from high school.

For special occasions like a dance or a formal date party, women should have a nice dress, and men should keep a nice pair of slacks and a tie on hand.

Remember: you can always take your belongings home, but until that time, you have to live with it – and so do your roommates. Invest in storage bins, pack wisely, and remember you are the one who has to live with your stuff. I am just the messenger.

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## What should you pack?

To edit your wardrobe to college-friendly standards, follow these tips:

1 If you have not worn something in six months to a year, donate it or throw it away. Do not be lax while doing this. If you have not fit into a piece of clothing, or you’re waiting to lose some weight to be able to fit into it, this is only a constant reminder of who you want to be. Focus on who you are now. Plus, you don’t need a closet full of things you can’t wear.

2 Leave 60 percent of your T-shirts at home. This is something that many students do or have done, including myself. Know that you will walk away with a new collection of T-shirts by the end of the year, and packing all of that is no fun, my friends.

3 For the ladies (and some guys), for every five pairs of shoes you own, bring one pair. Remember, again, that you will not have enough closet space to fit all of these shoes, and even if you do, I can guarantee you will not wear half of them.

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